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In re Application of:

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD TO

MEASURE LATENCY OF TRANSACTION INFORMATION FLOWING THROUGH A COMPUTER SYSTEM (AS AMENDED) RECEIVED

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## AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments into the above-identified application. Each of the amendments finds full support in the claims, specification and/or drawings as filed.

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In Reply to Office Action Dated: February 12, 2004

Enclosed herewith is a Petition under 37 CFR §1.136(a) requesting a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the Official Action, thereby extending the period for response thereto up to and including August 12, 2004. The United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this submission to Account No. 501-555.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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